

REMARKS

The Examiner should note that the subject PCT application was published as follows: 1 page of Title Page with Abstract, 29 pages of specification, 7 pages of claims on pages numbered 23-29, 8 pages of claims on substitute sheets of pages numbered 30-37, and 26 pages of drawings. It appears that the 7 pages of claims on pages numbered 23-29 were mistakenly not removed from the application before publication of the application with the substitute sheets 30-37 containing claims 1-42.

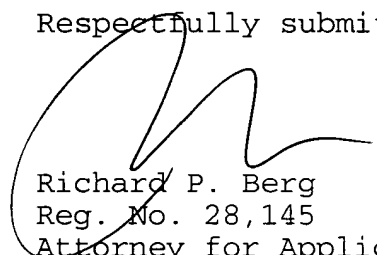
The amendments contained herein correspond to claims 1-42 as listed on the substitute sheets 30-37 of the subject PCT application.

Original claims 3-4, 7, 10-11, 13-16, 18, 20, 22-24, 29, 37 and 41 have been amended so that these claims are no longer multiply dependent in order to reduce the official fees. The Applicants may elect to amend claims 3-4, 7, 10-11, 13-16, 18, 20, 22-24, 29, 37 and 41 to make them again multiply dependent or to add additional claims to this application to provide coverage similar to, broader than, or narrower than the present claims at any time during the pendency of the above-identified U.S. application. Original claim 19 has been amended for a minor typographical error. These amendments in no way narrow the scopes of those claims.

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Amendment of the subject application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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